



Sunday 17 November 2024  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent

## THE PARISH OF ST MARY & ST PAUL

[www.stmaryandstpaulhemel.org.uk](http://www.stmaryandstpaulhemel.org.uk)

### SERVICES

#### St Mary's

Sun 17 Nov 9.30am Sung Eucharist  
Wed 20 Nov 10.30am Holy Communion  
Sun 24 Nov 9.30am Sung Eucharist

#### St Paul's

Sun 17 Nov 11.15am Holy Communion  
Thu 21 Nov 9.30am Morning Prayer  
Sun 24 Nov 11.15am Holy Communion

St Mary's Readers and Intercessor		
	Readers	Intercessor
	Theo Godwin Susie Bond	Rosamund Russell
Next Week	Lynne Sygrave Andrew Darby	TBA

#### Parish Services on YouTube

To find this, visit our website or search for "St Mary and St Paul Hemel Hempstead" in YouTube and subscribe to the channel. Alternatively you can find the channel by using this link:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7U\\_Q1B-URNJ06ToEZePyPg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7U_Q1B-URNJ06ToEZePyPg)  
(care with exact capitalisation).

In the email version of this bulletin and on the website this link is clickable.

### MESSAGE FROM BISHOP ALAN (EXTRACT)

For full message go to:

<https://resource.stalbansdiocese.org/newsletters/resignation-of-the-archbishop-of-canterbury-nov-2024/>

We have received the news that the Archbishop of Canterbury has announced his resignation, a decision taken in recognition of the Church's profound responsibility towards those who have suffered abuse.

To all those who have come forward, I extend my deepest respect, and I urge anyone who has suffered abuse to report it, so we may listen, learn, and act to protect others.

As the Bishop of St Albans, I am wholly committed to ensuring that our churches are places of welcome, safety, compassion, and accountability. We must continue the work to transform our structures and practices, and we must create an environment in which all feel welcome, secure, and valued.

May we work together in faith so that our Church may truly become a place of welcome, security, and compassion—a place where we are watchful yet caring, trusting yet ready to question. It is our shared responsibility to ensure that all who come to worship may do so in safety and in the knowledge of God's enduring love.

+Alan, Bishop of St Albans

## TODAY'S SERVICE

At the 9.30am service at St Mary's this Sunday we have the baptism of Robyn Ryan. Robyn will be confirmed next week along with our other candidates.

## CONFIRMATION SERVICE

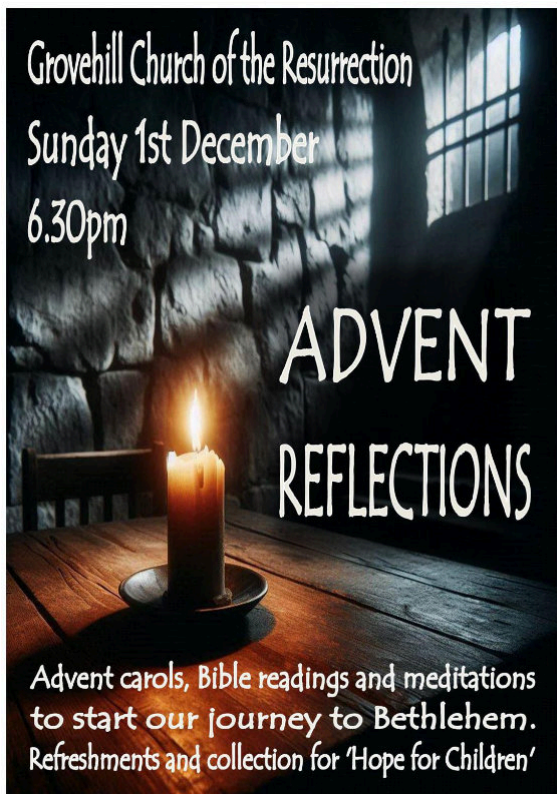
Next Sunday 24th November, the Feast of Christ the King, the last Sunday of the Church year, we have a service of Confirmation at St Mary's for six regular members of the congregation. This will be followed by a shared lunch and party afterwards. (see below). Please put this date in your diaries and come along to support our candidates.

Please pray for our Confirmation candidates: Robyn, Phoebe, Layla-Grace, Matthew, Emerson & Joshua.

## CONFIRMATION SHARED LUNCH

As John has indicated, we want to celebrate our new confirmation families with a lunch party in St. Marys Hall after this special service on 24th November.

Please will you let me know asap how many people & what you will bring to share for lunch by either email: [youngsheila13@gmail.com](mailto:youngsheila13@gmail.com) or on our church WhatsApp group  
Many thanks, Sheila



## AUTUMN CLEAN

Thank you to all those who came along to St Mary's last Saturday to help with the Autumn clean. The smell of polished wood, the gleam of newly shined brass, the sense of order in a tidied kitchen, the confidence of knowing the roofing gutters are clear of debris; all joys to behold. Thanks again to all whose efforts helped attain this nirvana.

## PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH

We have booked 14 places at the Plough in Leverstock Green for Friday 6 December meeting at 12.30pm.

Two courses, Prosecco and gratuity £35 Three courses £40

The Plough has an excellent menu. Contact Rosina or Gordon to register and for menu choices asap. (Contact details on page 4).

## CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

It's time to collect in our donations for the Children's Society, a very worthwhile charity. Our church community raised over £500 last year & there are so many young people who continue to need our support. This year we are particularly focussing on our young carers who have to balance their family caring responsibilities with their schoolwork, friendships & growing up in these challenging times.

Please bring me your collecting boxes or individual donations over the next few weeks.

## LANGA TRUST CHRISTMAS CARDS



Inside: Wood carving in Chapel of Holy Spirit, St Mary's Church Hemel Hempstead.

Christmas and New Year Greetings in English, Xhosa and Afrikaans

Back cover: Aims of UK Langa Township Pre-School Trust

Price: Pack of 10 £3.50, UK postage free.

## DENS HIGH NEEDS LIST

### Food:

Tinned ham  
Tinned corned beef  
Jars of cooking sauces  
Sponge puddings  
Custard  
Tinned rice pudding  
Tinned fruit  
200ml juices/drinks  
Tinned vegetables  
Cereal bars  
Biscuits  
Tea bags

### Kitchen and hygiene items:

2-in-1 shampoo  
Washing up liquid  
Laundry liquid/powder/tabs  
Men's and women's deodorants  
Size 4-8 nappies  
75 litre black sacks

berkhamstedchoral.com Reg Charity No 274462

Sunday 8th December 2024 7:00pm  
St Peter's Church, Berkhamsted HP4 2AX

# Christmas Reflections

Twentieth anniversary performance of  
**Tsunami Requiem**  
CHRIS WILLIAMS

with Christmas music  
and carols for choir  
and audience

**BERKHAMSTED CHORAL SOCIETY**  
English Philharmonia Brass  
Chesham Grammar School Choir  
Organ: IESTYN EVANS  
Conductor: GRAHAM WILI

Tickets £20 available in advance  
from Ticketpass <https://tktp.as/ETVOBO>,  
Brown and Merry Estate Agents, and on the door  
(under 18's free)

## Services and Events Week Commencing 17 November 2024

Sun 17 Nov	8.00am	8.00am Communion will be held on the first Sunday of the month ONLY for the remainder of this year.	StM
	9.30am	Sung Eucharist	StM
	11.15am	Holy Communion	StP
Second Sunday before Advent			
Mon 18 Nov	<i>Elizabeth of Hungary, Princess of Thuringia, Philanthropist, 1231</i>		
Tue 19 Nov	<i>Hilda, Abbess of Whitby, 680</i>		
Wed 20 Nov	10.30am	Holy Communion	StM
<i>Edmund, King of the East Angles, Martyr, 870</i>			
Thu 21 Nov	9.30am	Morning prayer	StP
	8.00pm	Bellringing practice	StM
Fri 22 Nov			
Sat 23 Nov	<i>Clement, Bishop of Rome, Martyr, c.100</i>		
Sun 24 Nov	8.00am	8.00am Communion will be held on the first Sunday of the month ONLY for the remainder of this year.	StM
	9.30am	Sung Eucharist including Confirmation Service	StM
	11.15am	Holy Communion	StP
Christ the King			

St Mary's Church is open for visitors each day from 10am - 5pm

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### Bulletin deadline:

Preceding Thursday noon  
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### Payments:

**Cheques should be made payable to "St Mary and St Paul PCC".**

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